



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: MALIK, A.

Examiner:

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Title: SAMPLE PRECONCENTRATION TUBES WITH SOL-GEL
SURFACE COATINGS AND/OR SOL-GEL MONOLITHIC BEDS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for
response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2003 for one (1) month from May 4, 2003 to
June 4, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required small entity fee in the
amount of \$55.00 for a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) to
Deposit Account No. 50-0951. The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is further
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Account No. 50-0951. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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